Introduced by Assembly Member Fletcher

February 17, 2011

An act to add Section 202 to the Elections Code, relating to elective office.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 754, as introduced, Fletcher. Elective office: military service. Existing law prescribes the manner in which a person may be nominated to run for office, including the form and filing of a declaration of candidacy and nomination paper.

This bill would permit a person who is deployed on active military service outside of the state to have an attorney-in-fact authorized under a power of attorney to complete and file on the deployed person's behalf a declaration of candidacy, nomination paper, and any other paper necessary to run for office.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 202 is added to the Elections Code, to 2 read:
- 3 202. Notwithstanding any other law, if a person who is
- 4 deployed on active military service outside of the state authorizes
- 5 an attorney-in-fact by a power of attorney to complete and file on
- 6 the deployed person's behalf a declaration of candidacy,
- 7 nomination paper, and any other paper necessary for the deployed

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- person to run for office, a declaration or paper completed and filed
 by the attorney-in-fact shall be deemed to be completed and filed
 by the deployed person.